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# **BROWNBACK COMMENTS ON COMMITTEE MARKUP OF MARRIAGE PENALTY TAX RELIEF**

WASHINGTON – U.S. Sen. Sam Brownback today commented on the Senate Finance Committee's markup of a bill that would help alleviate the impact of the marriage penalty on America's families. The bill will now go to the Senate Floor.

"Today's action by the Senate Finance Committee of marking up legislation that would provide married couples with relief from the Marriage Penalty Tax is good news for all of America's working families," Brownback said. "Such relief is long overdue.

"Despite the president's proposed political horse trading earlier this week, and Senate Democrats use of parliamentary maneuvers to block efforts to provide Marriage Penalty Tax relief, I remain hopeful that meaningful Marriage Tax Penalty relief will be enacted this year. This issue is too important to neglect. It is something the American people clearly deserve, and it is unreasonable to vote against such common sense legislation – especially considering the surplus.

"America's families suffer from a extra tax burden of \$1,480 per year simply because they are married. This is wrong – and we must bring this type of government intervention into our family life to an end," Brownback said.